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TO: School District Superintendents
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DATE: August 1, 2008

SUBJECT: October 2008 WDE602 – Wise School District Staff Member Collection

SUBMISSION AND CORRECTION INFORMATION

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is announcing the 2008-09 WDE602 – WISE School District Staff Member data collection. This memorandum will provide details on:

- The differences in this school year's collection,
- The scheduled Wyoming Equality Network (WEN) video training, and
- The firm data correction timeline for this data collection.

Information on the WDE602 Collection

What is the WDE602 data collection?

The 2008 WDE602 is the collection for school district staffing data for the fall.

How is this Year's WDE602 Collection Different from Last Year?

1. A minor revision to the Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) calculation. This was effective in the WDE652 year end report. A calculation flowchart will be available within the data collection guidebook.
2. Additional business rules will be added to the State Report Manager (SRM) to ensure the accuracy of the WDE602 data. The new rules will be made available in the data element documentation that will be posted with the other collection documents.
3. The WDE652 from the Spring 2008 collection will be used to populate the WDE602 with your latest data.

When is the Collection Window?

The data collection window is from October 1, 2008 through October 27, 2008. The fall 2008 WDE602 data collection is due on or before October 27, 2008 by 5:00 P.M. The collection will be submitted through the SRM on the WISE data system.

Where are the Collection Documents Posted?

The current data elements are available on the WISE website. A link to the WISE website is available through the Forms Inventory at:

https://wdesecure.k12.wy.us/stats/wde.forms.details?the_form=602. The business rules and guidebook will be available by September 2008. School districts will be contacted via e-mail once these documents have been posted to the WISE website.

Information on the WDE602 Training

When is it?

The WDE602 training will be held on **September 10, 2008 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.** via the WEN.

Who Should Attend?

Both technical and content personnel should attend this training. WDE recommends that each WISE Coordinator attend, along with the person(s) responsible for completing the WDE602 data collection.

What is the Agenda?

This training will detail the submission process and provide helpful hints while working with the State Report Manager (SRM) for the WDE602 data collection.

Along with details on the submission process, a portion of the presentation will focus on content-based Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ). The questions, along with the corresponding answers, will be presented in the training. Content personnel will also be available to answer any additional content questions that district personnel may have.

When to Sign Up?

If you are interested in joining this training, please contact your local high school or community college and ask their local WEN Video scheduler to sign up your site. **The last date to sign up your WEN site is September 5, 2008.**

Information on the WDE602 Data Correction Timeline

What is the Data Correction Timeline?

The enclosed flow chart identifies a set of dates that will provide a firm schedule for making any necessary changes to the fall 2008 WDE602 data. No changes will be accepted or made to the WDE602 data after November 26, 2008. It is highly recommended that districts verify their data as soon as possible so that the WDE has sufficient time to make all changes prior to November 26, 2008.

Please note, only the district WDE602 contact can make corrections to the finalized fall 2008 WDE602 data.

Why Do We Need a Data Correction Deadline?

Corrections to the fall 2008 WDE602 data are restricted to a firm timeline in order to meet the deadlines of the various reporting purposes. The WDE602 data are used to populate the Wyoming funding model and to enforce teacher certification and highly qualified teacher status. It is imperative these data are accurate and submitted on time so the WDE can meet its reporting requirements.

Who to Contact for More Information?

If you have any questions regarding the WDE602, please contact Ann-Marie Trujillo at 307-777-6252 or atrujil@educ.state.wy.us.

If you have any questions about the WISE project, please contact Shadd Schutte at 307-777-3656 or sschut@educ.state.wy.us.

Enclosure

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WDE602 – WISE School District Staff Member Collection Data Correction and Newspaper Report Timeline

